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construction which the Supreme Court of the United States has from time to time laid down with respect to the powers of Congress over commerce, so far as they have led to particular litigation.

The book is handsomely printed and well indexed.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE ACTS, INDEXED AND DIGESTED. By CHARLES S. HAMLIN. Boston: Little, Brown, & Company. 1907. pp. 480.

As its title implies, this book is divided into two parts. The first consists of the texts of the various federal statutes having to do with the regulation of interstate commerce. The second is made up of lists of words, phrases, topics and subjects to be found in the statutes, with references to the exact places where found, and with indications of the particular connection in which each is used. The statutes are grouped as follows: 1. The Interstate Commerce Act of 1887 with amendments of 1889, 1891, 1895 and 1906; the Act of 1893 regulating testimony; the Act of 1906 defining the right of immunity of witnesses; the Act of 1903, with amendment of 1906, regulating commerce with foreign nations and among the States; and the Act of 1903, to expedite the hearing of suits. 2. The supplementary act of 1888, regulating governmental rights in western railroads and telegraphs. 3. The Safety Appliance Act of 1893, with amendment of 1896; the Act of 1893, with amendment of 1903, for the safety of employees and travelers; and the Act of 1902, providing for safety appliance inspectors. 4. The Joint Resolution of 1906, for the investigation of block signals. 5. The Act of 1902, authorizing automatic signals in Oklahoma and Indian Territory. 6. The Act of 1901, providing for reports of accidents. 7. The Joint Resolutions of 1906, providing for the investigation of railroad monopolies in coal and oil. 8. The Act of 1898, regulating relation to employees. 9. The Employer's Liability Act of 1906. 10. The Anti Trust Act of 1890. 11. Sections 73 to 77 regulating the taxation of Trusts under the Act of 1894; and the Act of 1897, sustaining the same. 12. The amendment of 1906 to the Interstate Commerce Act of 1887. Except in the last instance the Index-Digests are divided to correspond to these groups. In each digest the subjects are arranged alphabetically, and indexed with reference to section, page and line, each line of the text being numbered. So carefully has this work been done that very few words, however humble, have been omitted from the classification.

The book contains no original comment upon or annotation of the statutes beyond these digests, and makes no attempt at citation of cases. It purports to be nothing more than a specialized statute book with an index sufficiently minute and exhaustive to enable one to find particular passages without loss of time. For such a purpose it is well adapted and should prove of real service to any lawyer who is under frequent necessity of finding needles in the haystack of interstate commerce regulations. To the general practitioner who can more easily satisfy himself with the larger compilations, the value of the book would be greatly enhanced by the addition of references to cases which have applied or construed the various words and phrases contained in the digests.